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## ZWIRNER EQUIPMENT COMPANY TO OPEN NEW FACILITY IN TROUSADALE COUNTY

Manufacturing Company to Invest \$750,000 and Create up to 24 New Jobs

**NASHVILLE**—Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development Commissioner Bill Hagerty along with Eric Zwirner today announced Zwirner Equipment Company will open a new facility in Hartsville, Tenn. Zwirner Equipment, LLC's relocation to Tennessee from Ohio represents a \$750,000 investment and the creation of 24 new jobs.

"When companies choose to relocate their company to Tennessee, it reinforces our position as the best state to do business," Hagerty said. "We offer businesses unparalleled logistical advantages, a central location and the kind of business-friendly environment where entrepreneurial spirit thrives. I want to welcome Zwirner Equipment Company to Tennessee and thank them for their valuable investment."

"Hartsville and the state of Tennessee provide a business environment that will be lower in cost for startup and general operation," Zwirner Equipment Company President Eric Zwirner said. "Another prominent factor is the growing market in the southeast and the ability to export from Tennessee to Canada and South America."

Zwirner Equipment Company will be working with the Tennessee College of Applied Technology to assist with the workforce. "I'm looking forward to being an active part of the Hartsville community and will look for opportunities to engage vendors from the area," Zwirner added. "This is a centralized location for us in respect to both customers and key suppliers."

"Hartsville & Trousdale County welcomes Zwirner Equipment and appreciates the confidence in our citizens and community," Hartsville Mayor Jake West said. "This is a positive step towards enhancing our manufacturing business."

Zwirner Equipment Company will be located in the former SteelTek building in the Hartsville-Trousdale County Industrial Park at 580 Industrial Park Dr. The building has been empty for over three years. Zwirner Equipment, LLC and the Four Lake Authority have started renovating the property and expect to add about 24 jobs over the next three years.

Zwirner Equipment Company will provide stainless steel processing equipment for liquid products to the food, dairy, beverage and chemical industries. Zwirner business will involve sales, purchasing, and remanufacturing. Staffing needs will require welders, machinists, mechanics, polishers, laborers and office personnel.

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"The Four Lake Board and staff are pleased to play a role in supporting jobs for our region," Four Lake Authority Chairman and Wilson County Mayor Randall Hutto said. "Zwirner Equipment helps diversify the business sector in the region and will enhance our corporate community."

"It is exciting to see a vacant building converted into a home for viable jobs in Hartsville," Four Lake Authority Executive Director Don Rigsby said. "Four Lake appreciates everyone's assistance and cooperation on this project."

"We are excited to have a company with the management expertise of Eric Zwirner move to our area," Citizens Bank President and CEO Betty Sue Hibdon said. "We look forward to watching him grow and create job opportunities in Trousdale County. We believe he will be a valuable asset to our County and community. We are thankful for the Four Lake Regional Development team of Don Rigsby and Charly Lyons and all of their hard work that made this possible."

"TVA is pleased to work on the economic development team with the state of Tennessee, Four Lake Regional Industrial Development Authority and Tri-County EMC to assist Zwirner Equipment to locate and grow their equipment business in Hartsville," TVA senior vice president of Economic Development John Bradley said.

Anyone interested in applying for one of these positions can email their resume to eric@zwirnerequipment.com.

### **About Zwirner Equipment Company**

Zwirner Equipment Company will provide vessels such as storage tanks, mixing tanks, processing tanks, CIP tanks, HTST balance tanks, silo tanks and kettles. Pumps will include rotary lobe pumps, diaphragm pumps, piston pumps, centrifugal pumps, etc. The heat exchangers will include plate type, shell and tube, multiple tubes and replaced gaskets. Flow control parts such as air-actuated valves, meters, level controls, pressure controls, sanitary tubing and fittings. A variety of new and used repair parts will be offered, such as fittings, sanitary gaskets, sprays, lubes, etc. As a single source provider, Zwirner Equipment Company will offer complete removal, loading and transportation of equipment, as well as a vast inventory of quality pre-owned equipment. Zwirner services to include engineering, plant integration, onsite equipment repair and preventative maintenance, asset recovery and plant appraisals and evaluations.

#### **About the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development**

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